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WHEW! And I left a third of it out! Are all these titles necessary?

Dear Ms. Dixon,

Per Senator Richard Bryan's urging I'm attaching a copy of a letter I sent to our mayor on nuclear waste concerns. I'm a resident citizen in Oscar's city and I would like to see evidence of public concern from him and our governor regarding this issue. I have yet to receive acknowledgenment of my July letter!

Nevadans don't want to have a nuclear dumping ground in their state whether our mayor cares or not. Aside from the stigma that goes along with the notion, the logic of nuclear nearness 1½ hrs. away from the fastest growing city in the country is sheer madness!

For one, proximity to the city must rule it out. Ninety miles is not a great space anymore. It's like L.A. to Santa Barbara or Palm Springs and even less to Bakersfield. Like San Diego to Anaheim and closer than to Long Beach. As the Southern California area grew couldn't we? How close can we get? I can see a circumference of barbed wire fences with signs "GEIGER COUNTERS REQUIRED BEYOND THIS POINT" posted at some point.

Secondly, last month's double earthquake reminders clearly show that the third most seismically active state is not only capable but likely to experience severe, destructive tremors!

And Third, Las Vegas is an expanding, adult playground with an exciting and relaxing theme that can quickly lose it's charm and wonder in the threatening atmosphere of active nuclear waste hauling to a potentially, deadly depository so near!

Let the states that produce it take care of it as a regulatory measure! Nevada had its turn!
Sincerely,

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THE HONORABLE MAYOR, OSCAR GÒÓDMAN. City Hall Las Vegas, Nevada

Dear Mr. Mayor,

Congratulations on your election victory. Hopefully a good Philly lawyer could help civilize this town.

Encouraging a second major newspaper for diverse opinions could be a starter. How did the fastest growing city in the country, a gem like Vegas, get away with the news monopoly? I don't care who runs it but a city without other ideas ain't healthy!

For example, if the bullet train between L.A. and Vegas discussed over twenty five years ago actually happened we wouldn't have all the reservation wanabees cropping up in California. The transpo would be an attraction in itself reducing the growing traffic nightmare. Any train is still a great idea!

But I also wanted to to relate my concerns about nuclear waste studies for this region. Nevadans do not want nuclear waste stored in our state! Except for parties that have a buck making interest in it and the rest of the states who don't want it in their back yard, who does?

Yet all I read is how studies and preparations continue for the proposed, radioactive tomb known as Yucca mountain. Like it's a foregone conclusion! Doesn't governor, Kenny Guinn have anything to say about it or is Nevada simply subject to the government's intent to dump the nation's poisons in our state? All 16,000,000 pounds of it!

If our elected officials are really interested in keeping this crap out of our state they should make a public statement letting Nevadans and the feds know you're with us. Make it clear to stop the studies in our state and look elsewhere, that Nevada is NOT going to accept any nuclear waste, period. Surely as mayor sir, if you share this concern, you can help.

This state had its turn at nuclear experiments, now let some others take their turn. We must remain the Entertainment and not Radioactive capitol of the world! We don't want sports teams with names like the Nuke Nasties, the Geiger Counters or the Radio Actives.

The west coast is seismically active and certainly vulnerable to catastrophy. An 8 point shaker is not out of the question! Send the stuff to more stable parts of our country and as a regulatory measure, let those who use it store it! Sincerely, with all due respect.

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